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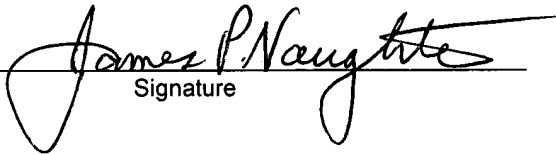
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In re Application of: William Gross

Serial No.: 09/765,270

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For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR RANKING  
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Examiner: James S. McClellan

Group Art Unit: 3627

**SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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US 6,714,975 B1	3/30/2004	Aggarwal et al.

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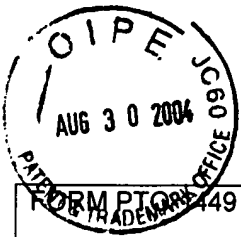
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